GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2449
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INQUIRY INTO DELHI-ATTARI EXPRESS FIRE INCIDENT
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether inquiry into the incident of blasts and fire in Delhi-Attari Express by Commissioner of Railway Safety has since been completed;

(b) if so, the findings thereof;

(c) the follow-up action taken thereon;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the inquiry into the incidents is likely to be completed;

(e) whether the role of Railway Protection Force is not found satisfactory in providing safety to commuters as well as to railway properties; and

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Railways to tone up the working of the Railway Protection Force?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The enquiry has been completed by the Commissioner of Railway Safety, Northern Circle. The cause of the incident is attributed to sabotage.

(c)&(d): The recommendations/suggestions rendered by the Commissioner of Railway Safety, Northern Circle have been implemented. Recommendations/suggestions were conveyed to all Senior Security Commissioners / Deputy Security Commissioners which have been implemented in coordination with Government Railway Police and Railway authorities over Northern Railway.

(e): No, Sir. No such inference has been drawn in the enquiry report.

(f): Does not arise.